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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Jarkko RÄTY  
Serial No.: Not Yet Known  
Filed: Submitted Herewith  
For: **REEL-UP AND METHOD FOR  
REELING OF A WEB**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 18, 2000

Sir:

Applicants herewith submit form PTO-1449 which lists those references cited in the International Search Report of PCT Application No. PCT/FI99/00528. A copy of each of the references cited therein is enclosed herewith. Please note, English-language translations of DE 4201326, DE 1225,014, JP 60112555, EP 0819638 are not available. However, English-language abstracts of these reference are submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of these references can be readily understood by referring to the drawings and English-language abstracts provided.

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Also submitted herewith is a copy of each of the references cited by the Applicant in the specification. Please note that EP 604558 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,393,008.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the Examiner's attention herein, applicants do not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicants reserve the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

Applicants also reserve the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

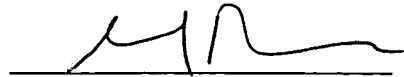
Applicants request that the Examiner independently determine those items which the Examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the filing of the application and therefore no fee is due.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered and made of record.

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